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Doetrn. EROST PICTURES.

Jack Frost is an artist-a sculptor, I ween and who travels so swiftly as he, When he rides on the wings of the north wind keep

As it sweeps o'er land and sea? The ripples were dancing over river and lake As merry as ripples could be ; But he kissed them stiff with his icy lips

In the midst of their innocent glee. In vain o'er the pebbles, in eddies and whirls .Did the brooklet strive to wade ; By a magical touch of the conjuror's rod

In a moment its current was staved. If even a rain-drep had chanced to remain In the chalica of some faded flower, It was changed to a pearl of the purest ray, By the frost-king's wonderous power.

He wove a robe for the pendant boughs, Of the mists that hung in the air, And threw it lightly o'er each tender twig And pinned it with diamonds rare.

He scorned not the hovel where poverty dwelt, And the windows so narrow and bare, But he spread o'er each pane a curtain of white, And concealed all the dust that was there.

Then he gently opened the sleeper's eyes, To look at the leaves and flowers, Of as delicate mold and beauteous forms As e'er graced a fairy's bower.

He came to my window, through which the full mo Was pouring her silvery light; Without asking my leave he had soon hung a vail That shut out the bright beams from my sight ;

I was just on the point of bidding him go And take with him his curtains of frost, When I caught a glimpse of such beautiful things! In admiring, my anger was lost.

If he pictured those ruins old I had longed to see for many a day, But dreamed not I should ever behold

There were lofty columns and pillars carved, And round them the ivy twined; And groves and fountains, and streamlets, as fair As ever an artist designed.

I seemed to wander 'mid classic scenes, And list to the magical tones Whose cadences sweet, borne along on the breeze,

The hours flew by while I musing gazed, And I rose with the sun's first light. And hurried forth on the sparkling crust To enjoy the magnificent sight, The earth was robed in the purest white,

And jewels flashed on her brow; Oh! the Frost King's art had a picture framed Surpassingly beautiful now! BLOOMFIELD, JAN. 29, 1873.

> WRITTEN FOR THE BECOMFIELD RECORD.) CAMP AND FIELD.

UNPUBLISHED EPISODES OF THE LATE WAR Presentiment that Proved Fatal-An Incident of the Rebellion.

"There's Uncle Ned! hurrah boys! Now for a story," cried a half-dozen merry voices, proceeding from a group of youngsters who had been playing on the commons until they were nearly exhausted with fatigue. "Yes, do, Uncle Ned; please tell us

story of the rebellion," said a little curlyheaded, bright-eved lad of twelve, as he nestled up close to the soldier who had taken a seat under one of the large elms on the commons where he had been watching Foreign mails close at 3 P. M. on the day previous to the boys at their play.

"Uncle Ned," as he was familiarly called in the neighborhood, had seen much service in the Union army, and had left an arm on one of the battle fields as a token of love and fidelity to his flag and country. He was famous as a story-teller, and never failed to attract attentive listeners to his tales of the late war, from the fact that the incidents were facts, and the names and persons only were concealed by the substitution of others in the narratives.

The boys were soon seated on the soft grass near the old veteran of a score of hardfought battles, with upturned faces, and eves sparkling with eager delight, which would admit of no refusal; the soldier commenced the narrative of a scene which he said would never fade from his memory.

tured me, and there's no use to try to escaps; I suppose there is no alternative, no way to be set free, except that of relating an incident of the war."

plantation,' and where the troops were then resting for the night. About twenty were affair, who were cared for by parties detailed for the purpose, and the graves of both friend and foe were designated by rude inscriptions cut upon the trunks of trees standing near, so that if their friends should desire to remove their remains or visit the

spot they could easily find them. "The night was lovely; the moon shone out bright and clear, and here and there could be seen groups of men before the camp fires, some writing letters to their be- ball had passed through. loved ones at home, while others were making preparations for the march and battle on the morrow.

"At eleven o'clock the 'tattoo' sounded, and in five minutes after, all was still—the men having 'turned in' for repose, and to dream of home and absent is shot, and I have no other officer in my maxims are, the British Board of Trade has that if they will cease their foolishness, come storekeeper refused to take pay for a pair of the british Board of Trade has that if they will cease their foolishness, come storekeeper refused to take pay for a pair of the british Board of Trade has that if they will cease their foolishness, come storekeeper refused to take pay for a pair of the british Board of Trade has the british Board of Trade h friends. One officer, however, could be command. I can stand it a little longer, seen pacing slowly to and fro in front of his said the brave man,

quarters, and seemed to be greatly troubled in mind, as he had once or twice tried to regiment, then proceeded to duties that resleep but could not on account of some fear- quired his presence elsewhere, and about fifful apprehension of something that was going to happen on the following day.

something very singular in the actions of the officer, and approaching him, Why, Captain V-r, is that you? Why don't you get a little sleep? we have got a hard road to travel to-morrow, and perhaps some hard fighting; besides we shall take an 'stretcher' and being carried to the rear.

early start in the morning." queer to-night, and cannot sleep if I would,' replied the captain.

""Why, what's the matter, are you unwell? let us arouse the surgeon,' said the breast, but lived until the hospital boat

said the captain.

upon an old pine log, where the officer dis- knew of the incident I have just related to closed his feelings of depression to the vou." major.

"'I know you will think me very silly when I entertain feelings of something awful that is going to happen to me to-morrow. I have had terrible dreams, and my mind and thoughts seem to be centered on one, and only one purpose-that of getting my business matters in shape, and having everything in readiness for some fearful event. Now you know, major, that I am as brave as the average of men in the army; I never shrink from duty or danger whenever my services are required; yet I feel now as if I had better give some one a statement of my affairs at home, and place my personal effects in his hands for safe keeping until they can be sent North to my dear little wife. Poor Maggie! it will be a heavy blow to

" Why captain, how you do go on about something that is as clear and palpaple as the idea of yonder bright moon being inhabited by Gnomes. Here captain, take a pull at this canteen of 'commissary,' and I'll guarantee good sound sleep, a quick dispersion of those horrible fancies that have taken possession of your brain. Ha! ha ha! well, I declare this is decidedly rich! Captain V., one of the gayest and bravest officers in the regiment gone crazy over a dream. Pshaw! here take a drink, my dear boy, all will be right in the morning,' said

"'I knew you would make fun of it when I told you, but it's of no use trying to dis. pel the thoughts that continually weigh that deserve it. upon my mind. Here, take this watch and chain, these papers, and Maggie's letters, and send them home if any accident should

happen to me to-morrow,' said the captain. "'All right; I'll take them for the present, but I hope you'll have the pleasure o sending them home yourself,' the major replied, and both officers returned to the camp one to his blanket, spread upon the ground, where he soon fell asleep-the other sat by the dying embers in front of his quarters, communing on the strange fancies that had taken hold of him and kept him in the mind acquires new ideas; and by a fresuch terrible suspense.

"The morning 'reveille' broke in upon ing gains fresh vigor. the slumbering camp, and in a few minutes after all was bustle and animation; coffee was served to the several 'messes,' after which the little army commenced its march through the dark pineries in the direction of Lake City, where the commanding General designed to halt for the night. Several times during the march the major rode along the flank of the column and enquired of the captain if he still entertained those dark presentiments of coming misfortune; to which the captain would only reply, 'I "Well, boys, I see that you have cap- cannot dispel them from my mind; do as I request of you, major, if I should meet with an accident, but on no account mention our conversation if I escape from harm.'

"The major willingly promised, and noth-"Let me see; it was about the middle of ing more was said in regard to the matter February, in 1864, that our little army of until the troops reached a place called Olusfive thousand men under General Seymour tee, or Ocean Pond, where we were suddenbivouaced in the dark pine woods of Florida ly attacked in front and on flank by superior en route for the capitol of that State. We numbers of the enemy, who had been conhad only one or two lively skirmishes on the cealed and quietly awaiting our approach march from Jacksonville, and the last oc- I will not narrate to you, boys, the terrible curred that afternoon at a place on the banks slaughter of that battle; you have doubtless of the St. Mary's river, known as 'Barber's read accounts of it in the newspapers at the

"The battle had been closely contested killed and wounded on both sides in this for about three-quarters of an hour, when the major received tidings that Captain V. had been wounded. He immediately rode along the ranks until he came to the wound-'ed officer, who was still at his post and urging his men to do their duty.

> "Well, captain, they say you have re ceived a taste of rebel lead; nothing serious I hope,' said the major. "'I guess not,' replied the captain, showing a blue spot his thigh where a minnie

" Well, your fears are now realized; you have been wounded; the surgeon will soon have you in good trim again; go to the rear, company,' said the major.

"The major, who was in command of his teen minutes from the time of his last conversation with the captain, a private of "The major of his regiment noticed Company A came running up to him, and said, 'Captain V-r is shot again, sir, and the orderly is killed-we want an officer to

take command, sir.' "The major passed quickly down the line, where he saw the officer lying upon a As the eyes of the wounded man met those "Well, major, the fact is, I feel a little of the major, he entreated him to remember his last request, which was faithfully per-

"Captain V-r was shot through the reached Hilton Head, where he expired and "' No : he can't cure me. It's something was buried, and his remains subsequently his medicine or skill cannot reach. Now removed to his family and friends in central don't laugh at me, major, and I'll tell you, New York. The deceased officer was a great favorite with his regiment, and his "So they walked arm in arm a short dis- superstitious fear of approaching death was tance from the camp and sat down together a subject often discussed by soldiers who

### GEMS OF THOUGHT.

We may mend our faults as easily as cover

Censure is the tax a man pays to the public for being eminent.

Fashion is, for the most part, nothing but the ostentation of riches. Flattery is a sort of bad money to which

Be not the fourth friend of him who had

three before and lost them. our hearts that He holds in the universe.

Old friends are best. King James used to call for his old shoes; they were easiest for In matters of conscience first thoughts are best; in matters of prudence, the best

thoughts are last. An industrious and virtuous education of hildren is a better inheritance for them than a great estate.

The actions of men are like the index of book; they point out what is most remarkable in them.

and whose enemies are decidedly bad. be fit to govern a family: and his family ere he be fit to bear the government in the com-

The best rules to form a young man, are

to talk little, to hear much, to reflect alone upon what has passed in company, to distrust one's own opinions, and value others The avaricious man is like the barren, sandy ground of the desert, which sucks in

all the rain and dews with greediness, but

vields no fruitful herbs or plants for the

benefit of others. He that gives good advice builds with one hand; he that gives good counsel and ex- den to indulge his appetite in company, or good admonition and bad example builds with one hand and pulls down with the

From social intercourse are derived some of the highest enjoyments of life; where there is a free interchange of sentiments. quent exercise of its powers, the understand-

Socrates called beauty a short-lived tyranny; Plato, a privilege of nature; Theophrastus, a silent cheat; Theocritus, a deightful prejudice; Carneades, a solitary kingdom; Domitian said, that nothing was more grateful; Aristotle affirmed, that beauty was better than all the letters of recommendation in the world; Homer, that 'twas a glorious gift of nature ; and Ovid, alluding to him, calls it a favor bestowed by the gods.

# The Art of Pleasing.

The true art of being agreeable, is to appear well pleased with all the company, and rather to seem well entertained with them, than to bring entertainment to them. man thus disposed, perhaps, may not have much learning, nor any wit; but if he has common sense, and something friendly in his behavior, it conciliates men's minds more than the brightest parts without this disposition; and when a man of such a turn comes to old age, he is almost sure to be treated with respect. It is true indeed, that hand. we should not dissemble and flatter in company; but a man may be very agreeable, in strict consistency with truth and sincerity, by a prudent silence, where he cannot conour, and by a pleasing consent where he can. Now and then you meet with a person so exactly formed to please, that he will gain upon every one that hears or beholds him : this disposition is not merely the gift of nature, but frequently the effect of much knowledge of the world, and a command over the passions.

WEATHER LESSONS .- The colors of the sky at particular times afford wonderfully good evidence. A bright yellowish sky in the evening indicates wind; a pale yellow wet. A neutral gray color constitutes a favorable sign in the evening and an unfavorable one in the morning. The clouds are full of Lieutenant Davis will take charge of your soft, undefined and feathery, the weather noved by a lot of young simpletons who community. will be fine. If the edges are hard, sharp "No, I cannot go yet; Lieutenant Davis and definite, it will be foul. Simple as these "If ever I cease to love," wishes us to say disgusted the other day because the villa sea-faring men.

#### For the BLOOMPIELD RECORD. Church and State.

ome reminiscences which will be read with Malliefert, which have been in progress interest, giving as they do, some ideas of nearly twelve months, have been nigrally the quaint doings of the Colony of Connect- successful. In 1871 he obtained the conicut in ye Olden Time. We should like to tract from the United States Government publish some reminiscences of our own for clearing the obstructions in both the State. If any of our readers chance to have James river, in Virginia, and Charleston in their collections, any relics of this kind, harbor. From the James river he removed we should be glad to hear from them. - Ep. the wrecks of the iron-clads Virginia and RECORD.

Congregationalism was established by law besides seven schooners and twenty-three in the Colony of Connecticut, and there stone cribs, which made the James free and could be no ministry or church administration entertained by the inhabitant of any town or plantation, upon penalty of five his attention to the wreck of the rebel ironpounds for every breach of this act. The clad Palmetto State, which was sunk off the laws were very stringent against the Quakers, Ranters and Adamites, or such like, erates to prevent it falling into the hands of and they were to be committed to prison or the United States Naval forces, then in sent out of the Colony. No individual strong force off Charleston harbor. All the could unnecessarily entertain, or speak more boilers, engines, guns and machinery of this or less with them, on penalty of five pounds. vessel were recovered. He next took out of Quaker books were ordered to be seized by the wrecks of the Charleston and Chicora, the constable, and all persons in whose pos- sunk off Cooper river, two other rebel ironsession they were found, to be fined ten shil- clads, 275 tons of machinery, boilers, enlings. Every person in the Colony was gines and guns. The operations of the obliged to pay taxes to the established re- Professor were next turned to the wrecks of

cial favorites of the government. They were success of raising the entire hulls, boilers exempt from taxation. If any person should and engines of both. After this the steamcontemptuously behave himself ward ers Coffle, Randolph, and a torpedo boat, 125 the word preached, or the me he should for the first offence be reproved holy ordinances," that others may fear and

be ashamed. The laws were greatly modified, but up to 1817 the Congregational societies and fert is now engaged is that of the ill-fated churches held the power to tax all persons Patapaco, which was sunk off Fort Sumpter for their support, unless they certified that by the bursting of a torpedo, which sent they contributed to the support of some down the unfortunate vessel and all on board other denomination. The pews in the to a watery grave. Out of this vessel about You may depend upon it that he is a good churches were generally seated by tax list four hundred tons of material have already man whose intimate friends are all good, and age; some times by tax list entirely—been taken, including the boiler, machinery, giving the richest man the highest seat in A man must first govern himself ere he the church without regard to age or char-

> As an illustration of the trivial, not to say ridiculous legislation of the Colony reference may be had to an anti-tobacco law. The use of tobacco was regarded (correctly) as demoralizing, particularly to the young. Therefore the General Court ordered that no person under twenty years of age should use it. No other person not accustomed to

it could employ it, without a certificate from a physician, and a license from the court. He who was addicted to its use was forbidample builds with both; but he that gives publicly in the street, or when at labor or on a journey, unless ten miles from home, and then not but once a day. The penalty for each offence was sixpence, to be paid without gain-saying.

# Brief Sayings by Josh Billings.

Don't be afraide, yung man, tew make olunder once in a while; not all the blunders are made by the scincere and honest. I must respect thoze, I suppose, who never make enny blunders, but I don't luv

I like them kind of folks who, if they do once in a while weigh out a pound with thirteen ounces in it, are just as apt to make like ardent spirits; they furnish neither the next pound weigh nineteen ounces. I luv my phailings. It is these that make Both intoxicate one the mind, the other me pheel that I have that touch ov nature in me that makes me brother to every liv-

Human happiness konsists in havin what yu want, and in wantin what yu hav. Fortune sometimes shows us the way, but

it iz energy that achieves succes. The richest man in the world is the one who despizes riches the most Trusting tu luck is only another name for trusting to laziness.

Fortune never takes enybody by the hand

but she often allows them to take her by the Avaris and lazyness makes the most dis gusting kind ov mixture. Sekrets are like meazles—they take easy and spread easy.

The eazyest thing for our friends to dis-cover in us, and the hardest thing for us to discover ourselfs, iz that we ar growing old. We sumtimes hit a thing right the fust blow, but most always a suckeess iz the result of menny failures The heart rules the head, because ashun rules the judgement.

Advice iz like kissing it don't cost nothing and iz a pleasant thing to do. One ov the most difficult, and at the same time one oy the most necessary things for phellows to know, iz that we ain't of so much ackount now az we wuz If we giv up our minds to little things we shall never be fit for big ones. I knew a man once who could ketch more flies with one swoop ov his hand than enny body else could, and he wan't good at anything else.

A young lady who had been greatly anstopped under her window at night to sing, thought fit to publish them for the use of in and talk "business" they will confer a skates price 67 cents by cash down 6 cen

## Relies of the Rebellion

The wrecking operations in Charleston A lady friend of THE RECORD has sent us harbor, under the direction of Professor Fredericksburg and the steamers Jamestown. Northampton, Patrick Henry and Raleigh.

safe for all navigable purposes. Upon arriving in Charleston he first turned mouth of Town creek inlet by the Confedthe Beatrice and Flora, two iron blockade The ministers of religion were the esperunners, sunk in Maffit's channel, with the ger t. sreof, feet long, were taken up.

The vessel involving the greatest labor openly in some public assembly by the mag- and danger in taking up was the Weehawistrate; and for the second, should pay a ken, a United States iron-clad which was ac We should give God the same place in fine of five pounds or else stand two hours cidentally sunk off Morris island while beopenly upon a block or stool four feet high ing loaded with shot and shell. Nearly on a public meeting day with a paper fixed everything was recovered, and the skelupon his breast written with capital letters, etons of many of the crew who went "An open and obstinate contemner of God's down were found in a good state of preservation in the monster coffin in which they had been long entombed.

The wreck upon which Professor Mallieportions of the turret, twelve plates thick, and other material. This can only be removed by the most powerful explosions, The only two wrecks that now remain are those of the Housatonic and Keokuk. The former lies outside the bar and near it the torpedo boat that sent it down. The latter lies near the Lighthouse inlet. All the bodies of those on board have been recovered, and a great number have been buried in a Federal cemetery near Fort Moultrie. With the removal of these last two vessels all the obstructions in the harbor will be removed. -New York Herald.

# Bad Books.

Beware of bad books. "Why, what harm will books do me?" The same harm that personal intercourse would with the bad men who wrote them. That "A man is known by the company he keeps," is an old proverb; but it is no more true than that a man's character may be determined by knowing what books he reads. If a good book can be read without making one better, had book cannot be read without making one the worse. A person may be ruined by reading a single volume! Bad books are aliment nor medicine. They are poison. the body; the thirst for each increases by being fed, and is never satisfied; both ruin -one the intellect, the other the health and, together, the soul. The makers and venders of each are equally guilty and equally corrupters of the community; and the sale guard against each is the same total ab stinence from all that intoxicates mind or

# ODDS AND ENDS.

De mewer-The cat. Brogue Anns come from Ireland An awful swell—the cheek after the tooth

It's only the shoe that knows whether the stocking has holes. "Doctor, is tight-lacing injurious?" "O

cors-et is, madam." The worst kind of education-To be brought up by a policeman. He who receives a good turn should never forget it; he who does one should neve

Inquisitive people are funnels of conven tion; they do not take in any thing for their own use, but merely pass it to another

To be well spoken of, you must die. Even a pauper, when dead, is mentioned withou When the father of an attractive dange ter negotiates for a parlor stove, it become

and the 7 in a few days.

